



Early Journal Content on JSTOR, Free to Anyone in the World

This article is one of nearly 500,000 scholarly works digitized and made freely available to everyone in the world by JSTOR.

Known as the Early Journal Content, this set of works include research articles, news, letters, and other writings published in more than 200 of the oldest leading academic journals. The works date from the mid-seventeenth to the early twentieth centuries.

We encourage people to read and share the Early Journal Content openly and to tell others that this resource exists. People may post this content online or redistribute in any way for non-commercial purposes.

Read more about Early Journal Content at <http://about.jstor.org/participate-jstor/individuals/early-journal-content>.

JSTOR is a digital library of academic journals, books, and primary source objects. JSTOR helps people discover, use, and build upon a wide range of content through a powerful research and teaching platform, and preserves this content for future generations. JSTOR is part of ITHAKA, a not-for-profit organization that also includes Ithaka S+R and Portico. For more information about JSTOR, please contact support@jstor.org.

JOURNAL

OF THE

AMERICAN ORIENTAL SOCIETY.

VOL. I.

BOSTON:
PUBLISHED BY THE SOCIETY.

M DCCC XLIX.

CONTENTS.

OF

VOLUME FIRST.

	Page.
ADVERTISEMENT,	i
EXTRACT FROM THE REPORT OF A COMMITTEE OF THE AMERICAN ORIENTAL SOCIETY,	ii
AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE AMERICAN ORIENTAL SOCIETY,	iii
OFFICERS OF THE SOCIETY for 1842—43,	v
CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS OF THE SOCIETY, adopted April 7, 1843,	vi
EXTRACT FROM THE RECORDS,	ix
OFFICERS OF THE SOCIETY for 1846—47,	x
MEMBERS “ “ to January, 1847,	xi
HONORARY MEMBERS “ “ “ “	xii
DONATIONS TO THE LIBRARY “ “ “ “	xii
PROCEEDINGS OF THE SOCIETY:	
Meeting of May 24 1847,	xxv
“ “ September 29, 1847,	xxviii
“ “ January 5, 1848,	xxxi
“ “ May 31, 1848,	xlvi
“ “ October 19 and 20, 1848,	lx
EXTRACT FROM A PRIVATE LETTER TO THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY, from Mr. JOHN P. BROWN,	lxv
DONATIONS TO THE LIBRARY to April, 1849,	lxviii
ADDRESS AT THE FIRST ANNUAL MEETING, by JOHN PICKERING, First President of the Society,	1

APPENDIX :		Page.
I. Statements respecting the Operations of American Missionary Societies and their Missionaries, in the East and other quarters of the globe,		61
II. List of American Voyages, Travels and other works, relating to the East and Polynesia,		64
III. Extracts from the Report made to the Asiatic Society of Paris May 30, 1842, by M. J. MOHL, Assistant Secretary, followed by Extracts from the <i>Journal Asiatique</i> ,		68
IV. Extract from the <i>Journal Asiatique</i> , on the Progress made in reading the Cuneiform Inscriptions,		77
V. Extract from Dobbins's preface to his edition of Diodati's <i>Exercitatio de Christo Græcè loquente</i> , on the present state of philological studies in Great Britain,		77
MEMOIR ON THE HISTORY OF BUDDHISM, read before the Society May 24, 1844, by EDWARD E. SALISBURY, Professor in Yale College,		79
THE HISTORY OF PAPER MONEY IN CHINA, translated from the <i>Journal Asiatique</i> for November, 1822, by J. P.,		136
CHINA: ITS POPULATION AND TRADE; AND THE PROSPECT OF A TREATY, by W. W. G.,		143
PETER S. DU PONCEAU, LL. D., by J. P.,		161
A TREATISE ON ARAB MUSIC, chiefly from a work by Mikhâil Meshâkah, of Damascus, translated from the Arabic by ELI SMITH, (with two plates,)		171
NOTES ON ARAKAN, by the late Rev. G. S. COMSTOCK, American Baptist Missionary in that country, from 1834—44, (with a Map, by Rev. L. STILSON,)		219
THREE CHAPTERS OF GENESIS TRANSLATED INTO THE SOOAHELEE LANGUAGE, by Rev. Dr. KRAPF, with an Introduction by W. W. GREENOUGH,		259
M. BURNOUF ON THE HISTORY OF BUDDHISM IN INDIA, by EDWARD E. SALISBURY,		275
PROFESSOR LASSEN'S ANTIQUITIES OF INDIA, by E. E. S.,		299

CONTENTS.

V

	Page.
MISCELLANEOUS NOTICES RELATIVE TO THE RECENT PROGRESS OF ORIENTAL	
RESEARCHES, by E. E. S., (with two plates).....	317
COMPARATIVE VOCABULARIES OF SOME OF THE PRINCIPAL NEGRO DIALECTS	
OF AFRICA, by Rev. JOHN LEIGHTON WILSON, Missionary of the	
American Board on the GABUN,	337
SUPPLEMENTARY NOTES BY THE COMMITTEE OF PUBLICATION:	
I. On the Mandingo Dialect, by J. W. G.,	360
II. " Susu, " "	365
III. The Mandingo and the Susu Dialect compared, by J. W. G.,	372
IV. On the Grebo Dialect, by E. E. S.	374
V. " Fanti " "	378
VI. " Yebu " "	379
VII. " Swahere " Publ. Comm.	379
THE ZULU LANGUAGE, by Rev. JAMES C. BRYANT, Missionary of the Amer-	
ican Board among the Zulus,	383
THE ZULU AND OTHER DIALECTS OF SOUTHERN AFRICA, by Rev. LEWIS	
GROUT, Missionary of the American Board among the Zulus,	397
ET-ṬABARÝ'S CONQUEST OF PERSIA BY THE ARABS, translated from the	
Turkish by JOHN P. BROWN, Esq., Dragoman of the United States	
Legation at Constantinople,	435
TRANSLATION OF AN IMPERIAL BERÂT, ISSUED BY SULTÂN SELIM III.	
A. H. 1215, appointing the monk Hohannes Patriarch of all the	
Armenians of Turkey, with Notes, by Rev. H. G. O. DWIGHT, Mis-	
sionary of the American Board in Turkey,	507
ON THE IDENTIFICATION OF THE SIGNS OF THE PERSIAN CUNEIFORM ALPHA-	
BET, by EDWARD E. SALISBURY, (with a plate,)	517
ON THE PRESENT CONDITION OF THE MEDICAL PROFESSION IN SYRIA, by	
Rev. C. V. A. VAN DYCK, M. D., Missionary of the American	
Board in Syria,	561